APPLICATION FOR ZONING VARIANCE
IN THE MATTER OF
AARON AND AVIVA MENDLOWITZ 385 BARNARD AVENUE
Applicant.
200 Cedarhurst Avenue
Cedarhurst, New York
March 31, 2022
7:01 p.m.
B E F O R E:
MEIR KRENGEL, Chairman
JARED CLARK, Board Member
DAVID SHTEIERMAN, Board Member
MICHAEL BLEIBERG, Board Member
YOEL GOLDFEDER, Village Attorney
WAYNE YARNELL, Supt. Bldg. Dept.

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2	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Good evening,
3	everyone. First case this evening is Case
4	Number 9 of 2022. The application of Aaron
5	and Aviva Mendlowitz, 385 Barnard Avenue in
6	Cedarhurst, New York. They are seeking zoning
7	variance approval for the following: Building
8	Code 261-41A, Side Yards; 265-38C, Building
9	Area; 265-43A and D, Permitted Encroachments;
10	and 265-42.1C, Character of Roofs. The
11	village attorney will now read a statement
12	into the record.
13	MR. GOLDFEDER: Mr. Chairman, members of

MR. GOLDFEDER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, for the record, we have been provided with proof of the mailing and publication in the local newspaper of record, of all notices of this hearing as required by law. Accordingly, jurisdiction has been obtained over all necessary parties, and this Board has jurisdiction to hear this appeal.

Pursuant to New York State General

Municipal Law Section 809, on December 1,

2021, a non-collusion affidavit has been duly
executed by the applicant, Aaron Mendlowitz,
wherein he stated that there are no other

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2	persons or entities involved in this
3	application that are employed by or connected
4	to the Village of Cedarhurst, its officers, or
5	employees, which would in any way constitute a
6	conflict under the law.
7	Pursuant to an agreement between the
8	Village of Cedarhurst and Nassau County
9	Planning Commission, the Nassau County
10	Planning Commission has been given notice of
11	this application and has waived consideration
12	thereof. Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.
13	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Will the owners'
14	representative please step forward. Mr.
15	O'Connell?
16	MR. O'CONNELL: Thank you. Good evening
17	all. Again, for the record, my name is Todd
18	O'Connell Architect, 1200 Veterans Highway,
19	Hauppauge, New York. Here with me this
20	evening are the Mendlowitz family with the
21	interest of their own application.
22	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: We reviewed the
23	plans. Just a brief review of the plan and
24	the variances being sought.
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part of this job is expanding the home to the rear of the property and also some additional space on the second floor. The Mendlowitzes have a very large family. They are looking to have a home that's comfortable for their needs, so I worked with them to develop this plan.

Now, as far as the side yards, the existing home currently does not comply with the side yards. We are not looking to diminish the side yards; we are looking to maintain what's there. Just going directly behind the house and staying in line with the house itself. Unfortunately, the house that's there is slightly -- ever so slightly over on the setbacks where it doesn't meet the aggregate, so we feel it's a de minimis request just so we have a nice beautiful uniform-looking home in the community.

The next part that's before you is the building area. We are requesting 33.93 percent, where 30 percent is what is permitted. This home does have a lot of features in it. Again, they have a very large

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2	family, so having a good amount of space is
3	important for their family. They need a very
4	large dining room, obviously a kosher kitchen,
5	family room. They would like to have, you
6	know, a garage on their house so they have a
7	place to park their cars.
8	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: You need to have a
9	garage.
10	MR. O'CONNELL: And required, yes.
11	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Most people like not
12	to have a garage.
13	MR. O'CONNELL: I know. People
14	eliminate it. And then to have the five
15	bedrooms on the second floor and you know with
16	the bathrooms for the children and nice master
17	bath for the Mendlowitz master. Before you is
18	33.93 percent. I believe I have been before
19	this Board many a times, maybe not recently,
20	but that is in line with other variances that
21	were approved by the village.
22	The Mendlowitzes actually went to all
23	the neighbors, and I have a petition signed in
24	favor that they have no objection to this
25	variance being approved. We feel it will be a

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2	beautiful addition to the neighborhood.
3	As far as the roof pitch, I will tell
4	you I am going to eliminate that variance. I
5	am going to make the roof pitch 4 and a half
6	and 12. So we are going to eliminate the
7	variance. We have 28 foot where 30 is
8	permitted, so we can make the 4 and a half
9	work. I will put on the record the 4 and a
10	half was just the front to back roof
11	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: If you are not going
12	for it, we don't need to discuss it.
13	MR. O'CONNELL: So that would conclude
14	my case.
15	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: You have permitted
16	encroachments?
17	MR. O'CONNELL: Oh, that's right. The
18	entrance to the entranceway in the front. We
19	are coming out in the front, you know, just to
20	increase the size of the foyer. The foyer is
21	existing on the house. So we are looking to
22	keep the size of the foyer, go out but then in
23	front of that is the portico. That is the
24	exact size of the foyer itself. So to go and
25	make a smaller or narrower foyer wouldn't make

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2	sense from an architectural standpoint. We
3	feel that aesthetically it would look much
4	better in the shape that it is. The portico
5	itself is only 4 feet deep. That's not a very
6	large overhang. You know, it yields 23.92
7	feet to the front of it of the portico itself.
8	And then there is also and then back
9	to the house itself is actually to the main
10	part of the house is 31.92. You know, where
11	25 foot is required, the majority of the house
12	is much further back, so we feel it's a very
13	small amount of area that we are looking to
14	encroach to make the entry foyer a little
15	nicer and keep a portico that's in proportion
16	with the rest of the home.
17	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Okay. Is that your
18	case?
19	MR. O'CONNELL: Yes. That will
20	conclude.
21	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you. Any
22	questions from the Board? For the record, we
23	have a petition of support in this matter
24	signed by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 seems to be
25	eight residents of Barnard Avenue, in support,

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2	so we will submit this as Applicant's 1. I
3	will just read it for the record.
4	"We, the undersigned neighboring
5	residents and property owners of the
6	applicant, support the granting of variance
7	relief by the village of Cedarhurst Board of
8	Appeals to Aaron and Aviva Mendlowitz to

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permit the renovation of a single-family dwelling at premises known as 385 Barnard Avenue within the village. While variance relief is necessary, we have reviewed the plans for the proposed home and do not find the proposed construction to be out of character with the existing pattern of development. Nor do we believe that the proposed home will negatively impact property values. Rather, the home will be a very attractive addition to the neighborhood that will enhance its overall aesthetic. Based upon the above, we execute the petition and ask the Board of Appeals to grant the relief requested."

(Applicant's Exhibit 1, Letter in suppport, marked for identification, as of

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2	this date.)
3	Q. Mr. O'Connell, if we ask to reduce the
4	lot coverage by about a little less than 2 percent,
5	would your applicant be okay with that?
6	MR. O'CONNELL: Well, I had discussions
7	with them about, you know, the reduction in
8	the footage, and you know, reduction in the
9	footage, and you know, they wouldn't be happy
10	about it. Let's put it that way. You know,
11	when I was designing, we were trying to
12	they wanted to go bigger and I was pulling the
13	reins back to get this a little smaller, so
14	you know, we want to work with the board.
15	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Would 32 work?
16	MR. GOLDFEDER: What does that translate
17	to foot-wise?
18	MR. O'CONNELL: That would translate to
19	almost 200 square feet. You know, that's in
20	the footprint so that's actually quite a bit.
21	We
22	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: It would be it
23	would be 120 feet 6,000 square foot lot.
24	MR. O'CONNELL: 121 square feet. I'm
25	sorry, yes.

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2	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Even less. Probably
3	a little bit less.
4	MR. O'CONNELL: I mean, the house is
5	only 45 feet wide so
6	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Two or 3 feet.
7	MR. O'CONNELL: Three feet off the back.
8	That's a lot.
9	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Can you make it work?
10	MR. O'CONNELL: Is the Board saying I
11	need to make it work?
12	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Could you make it
13	work? So character of the roofs is out, your
14	permitted encroachments will also be
15	minimized, if not totally. I think that
16	variance goes away also.
17	MR. YARNELL: No. The encroachment in
18	the front, he is not moving the house back.
19	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Okay. So we are
20	going to take a vote on three variances and we
21	are going to allow we are going to take a
22	vote to allow the side yards to stay in line
23	with the current side yards. Just going back.
24	We are going to vote to approve the permitted
25	encroachments, and we are going to vote to

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2	approve lot coverage up to 32 percent. You
3	can figure out how and where you want to do
4	it.
5	MR. MENDLOWITZ: Can we get a little
6	more? It's
7	MR. O'CONNELL: Thirty-two and a half.
8	MRS. MENDLOWITZ: It's just really the
9	dining room.
10	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Maybe the owner would
11	like to come up and state the case.
12	MR. MENDLOWITZ: So it's really
13	ultimately first of all, thank you for
14	hearing us. It's really just mostly the
15	dining room that is going to impact. We
16	generally like to host, we like to have an
17	open house for Shabbos. A lot of people come
18	over. And since we are working within the
19	current house, we don't have as much
20	flexibility as we normally would if we were
21	building from scratch. Listen, every I
22	understand you guys it's you don't want
23	to set a standard that everyone else is going
24	to ask for so whatever the court here says is

25 what I am going to listen to, but any extra

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2	would obviously make a difference.
3	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: We are going to 32.
4	How is that? Okay. We are going to take
5	anyone want to make a motion?
6	MR. SHTEIERMAN: Second. Approved as
7	modified.
8	MR. CLARK: Approved as modified.
9	MR. BLEIBERG: Approved as modified.
10	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Approved as modified.
11	(Time noted: 7:12 p.m.)
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3	STATE OF NEW YORK)
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5	COUNTY OF QUEENS)
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7	I, YAFFA KAPLAN, a Notary Public
8	within and for the State of New York, do
9	hereby certify that the foregoing record of
10	proceedings is a full and correct
11	transcript of the stenographic notes taken
12	by me therein.
13	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
14	set my hand this 14th day of April, 2022.
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3	APPLICATION FOR ZONING VARIANCE
4	IN THE MATTER OF
5	AM WEISS DEVELOPMENT GROUP LLC 352 SUMMIT AVENUE
	Applicant.
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7	200 Cedarhurst Avenue
8	Cedarhurst, New York
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10	March 31, 2022
11	7:43 p.m.
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13	B E F O R E:
14	MEIR KRENGEL, Chairman
15	JARED CLARK, Board Member
16	DAVID SHTEIERMAN, Board Member
17	MICHAEL BLEIBERG, Board Member
18	YOEL GOLDFEDER, Village Attorney
19	WAYNE YARNELL, Supt. Bldg. Dept.
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1	Proceedings - AM Weiss Development Group LLC
2	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Back on the record.
3	Welcome to Cedarhurst Board of Zoning Appeals.
4	This will be Case Number 10 of 2022. The
5	application of AM Weiss Development Group LLC,
6	82 Cedar Drive, Great Neck, New York with
7	regard to a property located at 352 Summit
8	Avenue in Cedarhurst. The applicant is asking
9	for relief from Cedarhurst Zoning Laws 265-39,
10	Size and Area of Lot. The village attorney
11	will now read a statement into the record.
12	MR. GOLDFEDER: Mr. Chairman, members of
13	the Board, for the record, we have been
14	provided with proof of the mailing and
15	publication in the local newspaper of record,
16	of all notices of this hearing as required by
17	law. Accordingly, jurisdiction has been
18	obtained over all necessary parties, and this
19	Board has jurisdiction to hear this appeal.
20	Pursuant to New York State General
21	Municipal Law Section 809, on January 11,
22	2022, a non-collusion affidavit has been duly
23	executed by Michael Weiss, on behalf of the
24	applicant, wherein he stated that there are no

other persons or entities involved in this

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2	application that are employed by or connected
3	to the Village of Cedarhurst, its officers, or
1	employees, which would in any way constitute a
-)	conflict under the law.

Pursuant to an agreement between the

Village of Cedarhurst and Nassau County

Planning Commission, the Nassau County

Planning Commission has been given notice of

this application and has waived consideration

thereof. Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.

CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Just for the record, this lot has already been subdivided and approved by the Cedarhurst board of trustees. We are here only to hear an application for a variance with regard to the size of the area of the lot. The owner or representative please step forward.

MR. BROWNE: Good morning, Chairman and members. Christian Browne, 1122 Franklin Avenue, Garden City for the applicant.

Chairman, you are correct. This lot was the subject of a subdivision application that was approved by the Board of Trustees sitting as the Planning Board by resolution dated

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2 March 7th of 2022. As part of that

3 resolution, the Planning Board imposed certain

4 conditions related to the layout of the lot

5 and the parking configuration and those

6 conditions were imposed upon consent and the

7 site plans that are before the Board tonight

8 reflect the conditions imposed by the Planning

9 Board when it granted the subdivision.

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The application before you tonight as you know, Chairman, only concerns one aspect of the development of the parcel. Both of these parcels are actually oversized for lot area. Parcel A is proposed at 6,642 square feet, and parcel B is proposed at 6,470 square feet. So in excess of the 6,000-square-foot minimum. However, the width of the lot is required, each lot is required to have 60 feet of frontage and these two lots each are proposed at 50 feet of frontage. That's the only deficiency. Triggering the need for a variance. Along Summit Avenue, within the 200-foot radius almost every lot on the street is a 50-foot lot. You can see that on your radius map but on both sides of the street the

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2	neighboring parcels, Lots 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,
3	across the street lots 105, 104, 103, 102,
4	101, all 50-foot frontages. So this proposed
5	subdivision fits in very nicely with the
6	nature and character of the area. Complements
7	to houses across the street. We are in excess
8	of the minimum lot area and this I would
9	submit is a minor nonsubstantial variance that
10	is not going to, in any way, cause a detriment
11	to the surrounding neighborhood because those
12	lots are the same width as the lots we
13	propose, and I would finally just remind the
14	Board that the house on this lot will be
15	demolished. It's a nonconforming two-family
16	house now. So we are now breaking this into
17	two lots with two conforming single-family
18	homes.
19	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you. Have you
20	submitted building plans?
21	MR. BROWNE: We have not submitted
22	building plans.
23	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: But obviously they
24	will be in conformance with this application?
25	MR. BROWNE: They will. They will be in

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2	conformance with this application. The
3	footprint of the house will not require any
4	variances, and they will conform to the
5	conditions imposed for parking by the Planning
6	Board.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you. Any
8	members of the Board have any questions?
9	MR. SHTEIERMAN: No.
10	MR. CLARK: No.
11	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Would anybody in the
12	audience like to speak in favor or against
13	this application?
14	Okay. The Board will now take a vote.
15	MR. BLEIBERG: Approved.
16	MR. SHTEIERMAN: Approved.
17	MR. CLARK: Approved.
18	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: For the record, I
19	live on the block just outside the
20	200-square-foot radius and my vote is not
21	needed, so I will not vote and the vote the
22	application is approved with three votes and
23	approved.
24	MR. BROWNE: Thanks so much.
25	(Time noted: 7:48 p.m.)

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2	CERTIFICATE
3	STATE OF NEW YORK)
4	: ss.
5	COUNTY OF QUEENS)
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7	I, YAFFA KAPLAN, a Notary Public
8	within and for the State of New York, do
9	hereby certify that the foregoing record of
10	proceedings is a full and correct
11	transcript of the stenographic notes taken
12	by me therein.
13	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
14	set my hand this 14th day of April, 2022.
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Applicant.
200 Cedarhurst Avenue
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March 31, 2022
7:14 p.m.
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welcome to the Cedarhurst Board of Zoning
Appeals. The second case in this evening is
Case Number 11 of 2022. It's the application
of Michael Kaffash for the property located at
336 Pacific Avenue, and he is going for a
variance for Building Codes 265-38C, Building
Area, and 265.42.1A, Character of Roofs. The
village attorney will now read a statement
into the record.

MR. GOLDFEDER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, for the record, we have been provided with proof of the mailing and publication in the local newspaper of record, of all notices of this hearing as required by law. Accordingly, jurisdiction has been obtained over all necessary parties, and this Board has jurisdiction to hear this appeal.

Pursuant to New York State General

Municipal Law Section 809, on February 28,

2022, a non-collusion affidavit has been duly

executed by the applicant, Michael Kaffash,

wherein he stated that there are no other

persons or entities involved in this

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2	application that are employed by or connected
3	to the Village of Cedarhurst, its officers, or
4	employees, which would in any way constitute a
5	conflict under the law.
6	Pursuant to an agreement between the
7	Village of Cedarhurst and Nassau County
8	Planning Commission, the Nassau County
9	Planning Commission has been given notice of
10	this application and has waived consideration
11	thereof. Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.
12	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Will the owner or its
13	representative, please step forward. Mr.
14	Capobianco.
15	MR. CAPOBIANCO: I am here tonight on
16	behalf of my client.
17	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Please state your
18	name and address for the record.
19	MR. CAPOBIANCO: John Capobianco,
20	architect, 159 Doughty Boulevard, Inwood,
21	New York. Here tonight on behalf of Michael
22	Kaffash who is present in the room. We are
23	here seeking a variance for a building
24	coverage of .28 I believe. We have
25	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Which I think we

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2	consider it de minimis.
3	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Which is very de
4	minimis. I think it's because of a porch on
5	the side with a little overhang. The house
6	itself would comply to the 30 percent.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: How many square feet
8	is that?
9	MR. CAPOBIANCO: It's on the site.
10	MR. SHTEIERMAN: About 35.
11	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thirty-five square
12	feet?
13	MR. CAPOBIANCO: It would be 3,700
14	square feet, which would be 30 percent of the
15	lot coverage for the house itself. One level
16	And then the second variance we meet the
17	height requirement. The lot as you see is a
18	very large lot, 100 by 125. Can command a
19	large house.
20	The issue as we saw in the first page
21	was the site elevation of the house which if
22	it's 4 and a half on 12, to cover that
23	footprint it would be about 4 and a half feet
24	higher than the 30 feet with the 4 and a half

on 12. So we are trying to reduce the house

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2	to 30 but give the house the look it would
3	require in the front with that type of
4	architecture. So we are trying to create a
5	flat area of approximately 30 percent of the
6	floor area of the building which gives that
7	appearance and height would be 30 feet above
8	the top of curb which complies with the
9	30-foot requirement. However, we are seeking
10	relief to maintain a flat section of roof on
11	the house to give it the proper look.
12	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: How much of the roof
13	is it approximately?
14	MR. CAPOBIANCO: It's approximately 30
15	percent of the floor area of the footprint, so
16	it's approximately 800 or 750 square feet.
17	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Is it visible from
18	the front?
19	MR. CAPOBIANCO: You cannot see it, no,
20	and that's basically the application. We have
21	done a few houses because of the size of the
22	footprint of the house and the depth, it's
23	very difficult to cover the roof to make the
24	roof lines work with a 4 and a half and if you
25	go even more, it's going to bring us up to

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2	about 35 feet to a ridge. Without cutting it
3	off, you know.
4	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: This is new
5	construction, correct?
6	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Pardon me.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: This is new
8	construction?
9	MR. CAPOBIANCO: New construction.
10	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: All front yards, side
11	yards are in conformance?
12	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Yes. All side yards
13	conform. Front yard conforms.
14	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The only variance you
15	are going for is 35.8 feet, which is an
16	entryway?
17	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Yes.
18	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: And the roof?
19	MR. CAPOBIANCO: That's it. Thank you.
20	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you. Is that
21	your case?
22	MR. CAPOBIANCO: That's our case.
23	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Any questions from
24	the members of the Board?
25	MR. SHTEIERMAN: No.

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2	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Is there anybody in
3	the audience who would like to speak in favor
4	of or against this application?
5	MR. MILLSTONE: Well, I don't understand
6	it.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: State your name and
8	address for the record.
9	MR. MILLSTONE: Rob Millstone, 320
10	Pacific Avenue. I just don't understand what
11	he is talking about.
12	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: I will review very
13	quickly.
14	MR. MILLSTONE: Dumb it down for me. It
15	would be a lot easier.
16	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The building code in
17	the village of Cedarhurst allows 30 percent of
18	the lot coverage, which means any building
19	area, 30 percent of the lot. So this lot is
20	12 and a half thousand square feet. So 30
21	percent of that you would be allowed to build
22	a floor print of 3,750 square feet. And first
23	floor, second floor, basement. They are
24	proposing an extra 35 feet. Square feet.
25	MR. GOLDFEDER: When the plans were put

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2	together, there is a side entranceway with a
3	porch, stoop.
4	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: He will show you what
5	it is.
6	(Discussion off the record.)
7	MR. KERINS: Patrick Kerins, 330 Pacific
8	Avenue. K-E-R-I-N-S.
9	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Would you like to
10	comment on the plans?
11	MR. KERINS: I just don't know why we
12	have to go so, you know, across the flat roof
13	in the back from the top.
14	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: John, do you want to
15	answer the question?
16	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Right now what happens
17	is the height of the house is what's required
18	under the village. Thirty feet above the top
19	of the curb. That's where we are allowed to
20	go. You see, if we were to do our roof that
21	didn't have a flat section, house would be
22	much higher, 34, 35 feet. We couldn't cover
23	that footprint of the house with that kind of
24	roof. So what we did is cut off the top so
25	you don't see that flat section and it brings

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2	the scale down to the right height, which is
3	30 feet above the crown. It's a very
4	beautiful house.
5	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you, Mr.
6	Capobianco, for your explanation. Mr. Guttman
7	do you have anything further to say? Come up
8	to the podium. State your name and address.
9	MR. GUTTMAN: Avrami Guttman, 319
10	Pacific Avenue. Just question why they needed
11	he was trying to explain to me but we got
12	interrupted why they needed more than 30
13	percent.
14	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: It's on the side of
15	the house.
16	MR. SHTEIERMAN: It's not even an
17	enclosed area of the house. It's a small roof
18	of about 35 square feet over a side porch.
19	Thirty-five square feet of roof space over a
20	side porch.
21	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The whole thing is
22	it's a quarter of a percent over.
23	MR. GUTTMAN: Just wanted to know what
24	it is. The 30 percent. Another thing that a
25	lot of people on the block were talking about

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2	and I am not sure the zoning can deal with
3	it or anybody has to deal with it.
4	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The only thing we can
5	deal with is this application.
6	MR. GUTTMAN: Right but I don't know if
7	people there were two big trees
8	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Nothing to do with
9	us.
10	MR. KERINS: Who protects Mother Nature?
11	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: God. Not me.
12	MR. GUTTMAN: No more questions.
13	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: All right. Thank
14	you. Any further comment for, in favor of,
15	against? Mr. Capobianco, do you have anything
16	else to tell the Board?
17	MR. CAPOBIANCO: I believe that
18	completes it. Thank you.
19	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The Board will now
20	vote on the application. Make a motion to
21	approve.
22	MR. BLEIBERG: Approved.
23	MR. CLARK: Approved.
24	MR. SHTEIERMAN: Approved.
25	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Approved. Variances

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4	IN THE MATTER OF
5	LINCOLN STREET NEW YORK LLC 506 LINCOLN STREET
6	Applicant.
7	200 Cedarhurst Avenue
9	Cedarhurst, New York
10	March 31, 2022
11	7:31 p.m.
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13	B E F O R E:
14	MEIR KRENGEL, Chairman
15	JARED CLARK, Board Member
16	DAVID SHTEIERMAN, Board Member
17	MICHAEL BLEIBERG, Board Member
18	YOEL GOLDFEDER, Village Attorney
19	WAYNE YARNELL, Supt. Bldg. Dept.
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Number 12 of 2022. Case of Lincoln Street

New York LLC, 207 Seagirt Avenue, Lawrence,

with regard to property located at 506 Lincoln

Street in the village of Cedarhurst. The

applicant is seeking relief under Building

Code 265-51, Front Yards; 265-52, Side Yards;

and 265-125, Location Restricted.

Just for the record, there are two separate applications or two separate permits that are being sought here. One is for a two-story addition, one is for an in-ground pool. The village attorney will now read a statement into the record.

MR. GOLDFEDER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, for the record, we have been provided with proof of the mailing and publication in the local newspaper of record, of all notices of this hearing as required by law. Accordingly, jurisdiction has been obtained over all necessary parties, and this Board has jurisdiction to hear this appeal.

Pursuant to New York State General
Municipal Law Section 809, on March 9, 2022, a

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2	non-collusion affidavit has been duly executed
3	by Daniel Pinchasov, on behalf of the
4	applicant, wherein he stated that there are no
5	other persons or entities involved in this
6	application that are employed by or connected
7	to the Village of Cedarhurst, its officers, or
8	employees, which would in any way constitute a
9	conflict under the law.
10	Pursuant to an agreement between the
11	Village of Cedarhurst and Nassau County
12	Planning Commission, the Nassau County
13	Planning Commission has been given notice of
14	this application and has waived consideration
15	thereof. Mr. Chairman, members of the Board.
16	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Mr. Capobianco?
17	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Thank you, yes. Our
18	client is here.
19	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Again, for the
20	record, just please state your name.
21	MR. CAPOBIANCO: John Capobianco
22	Architects, 159 Doughty Boulevard, Inwood,
23	New York. We are here this evening seeking
24	relief for front yard setbacks. As you can
25	see from the photograph on the board I

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2	don't know if you can see the board, but I
3	will angle it a little more, but from the
4	photograph of the board we have an existing
5	two-story house, first floor, second floor.
6	Small. It's on a block that you see on your
7	radius map between Bayview and Oceanpoint.
8	They are all 40-by-100 lots on that side of
9	Lincoln, so pretty much all of the setbacks of
10	these houses on those 40-by-100 lots are all
11	the same, about 16 and a half feet. So what
12	we are doing is seeking relief to maintain
13	that front because we are maintaining the
14	footprint, the original footprint of the house
15	what you see in the sketch here, the site plan
16	which we are making the house a FEMA-compliant
17	house. So the client agreed we would fill in
18	the basement, raise the first-floor elevation
19	to the required New York State free board
20	elevation of 10 or actually 10.17. And then
21	we are going to add to the house, doubling
22	almost the size of the house but staying
23	within the setback, staying within the
24	setbacks, side yard aggregate setbacks,
25	staying within the rear yard setback, seeking

That's existing?

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2	relief of the	front,	which	would	be 25	and
3	keeping it at	16.2.				

CHAIRMAN KRENGEL:

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MR. CAPOBIANCO: Where it is now and we wanted to fill in the basement, bring the house up, build a FEMA-compliant house.

Therefore not having to worry about the 50 percent rule which would be, you know, the cost of construction, so now we can build more or less what we need to do and do a new house.

In addition to this, we were putting -- and that would give them enough bedrooms. He is going to live in the house, the newly married. Hopefully having a big family, but you know, he is going to live in the house. He is not building it to sell it. It's his house.

In addition, we are going to do a pool from the back, and we are going to build a deck connecting the pool from the house that is 2 foot 11 above the top of the curb, so that would account for building coverage.

However, the pool requires a 10-feet rear yard. We have an 8 and requires 5 and we have 8 on the side, so 5 on the side complies, the

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2	8 in the rear is from 10, so that's another
3	variance we are seeking, a rear yard of the
4	pool. Then the pool I think the side yards
5	of the deck or 3 and a half feet as opposed to
6	being a total of 16 aggregate.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The deck goes past
8	the house.
9	MR. CAPOBIANCO: The deck goes a little
10	past the house, but at the point where the
11	grade is in the back, the deck is probably
12	about a little under 30 inches above the
13	ground. In the front it's about 2 foot 11,
14	about 35 inches above the top of the curb so
15	that's
16	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: So the side yard
17	is
18	MR. CAPOBIANCO: The side yard of the
19	deck is 3 and a half feet.
20	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: And the other side.
21	MR. CAPOBIANCO: Same thing. It's equal
22	because we have you walking around the pool so
23	that's why to maintain that pool. It's 30
24	inches off, a little less than 30 inches off

the ground, we wouldn't even need a railing,

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2	and that's basically the application. The
3	height of the building, it conforms in
4	elevation. These are the floor plans, so what
5	we are doing is we are actually leaving part
6	of the foundation and we are filling in the
7	basement for a second so when you are
8	looking at the section through the house, we
9	are raising the basement floor up, making a
10	crawl space. So now it's truly a
11	FEMA-compliant house with washroom vents and
12	the flood vents around the perimeter and the
13	application you see in the section this will
14	be the front of the house, a little bit more
15	contemporary in style, but basically this is
16	what he is trying to build and this is our
17	application.
18	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Is the applicant or
19	someone living in the house right now?
20	MR. CAPOBIANCO: No. They are not
21	living in the house, no. It's empty.
22	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Okay. Is that your
23	case?
24	MR. CAPOBIANCO: That's basically the
25	application and the case.

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2	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Anybody on the Board
3	have any questions?
4	MR. SHTEIERMAN: No.
5	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Questions? Anybody
6	in the audience would like to speak in favor
7	or against?
8	MR. MORAN: My name is Joe Moran. I
9	live at 529 Cedarhurst. I am right down the
10	block walking distance. This thing of filling
11	in the basement, are they going to make a
12	Mikvah there? Is that
13	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: I will ask the
14	applicant.
15	MR. MORAN: In other words, the way they
16	are setting it up, it looks subject to me.
17	MR. YARNELL: The house is becoming a
18	FEMA-compliant house. The house now has a
19	basement. In order to become a FEMA-compliant
20	house, they have to lose the basement. The
21	basement now as proposed is only going to be a
22	crawl space.
23	MR. MORAN: Right. I understand.
24	MR. YARNELL: So there is no ability
25	MR. MORAN: Because a built-in pool, I

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2	have been living there for 30 years. You dig
3	one foot down, you hit water. So I mean, put
4	a built
5	MR. YARNELL: The pool is not inside the
6	house. The pool is in the backyard.
7	MR. MORAN: There is going to be no
8	enclosement around the pool?
9	(Discussion off the record.)
10	MR. MORAN: That's what I want to know.
11	Is there going to be a Mikvah?
12	MR. GOLDFEDER: It's an application for
13	a swimming pool. How they use it is really up
14	to them, but it's a swimming pool.
15	MR. MORAN: See, that's a gray area, no?
16	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: What is your concern?
17	Your concern is the outdoor pool is going to
18	be a Mikvah?
19	MR. MORAN: Yes.
20	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: This is a swimming
21	pool.
22	MR. YARNELL: We have the applicant
23	here. Why can't we ask him?
24	(Discussion off the record.)
25	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Anybody else have any

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2	comments?					
3	MRS. MORAN: Denise Moran. They are					
4	going to fence in the pool? There is going to					
5	be high enough so					
6	MR. CAPOBIANCO: There is going to be a					
7	5-foot fence.					
8	MR. YARNELL: Six-foot fence is					
9	required.					
10	MR. MORAN: Okay.					
11	MR. CAPOBIANCO: With a self-latching					
12	gate, self-closing.					
13	MR. YARNELL: But understand that the					
14	6-foot fence is from grade. The deck is a					
15	little bit like over 2 feet above grade, so if					
16	you have a 6-foot fence, the pool height, the					
17	fence height is really going to be like 4 feet					
18	from the pool patio area but from the					
19	neighboring properties, it will be 6 feet from					
20	the					
21	MS. MORAN: I am just concerned about					
22	other children in the area. That's my main					
23	concern.					
24	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you. Will the					
25	owner sten forward for a moment? State your					

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2	name and address.
3	MR. PINCHASOV: El-Natan Pinchasov.
4	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: And you are a member
5	of Lincoln Street New York LLC?
6	MR. PINCHASOV: Yes.
7	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: You are building this
8	house for yourself?
9	MR. PINCHASOV: For myself.
10	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Thank you very much.
11	MR. CAPOBIANCO: That's the case.
12	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: The Board will now
13	take a vote. Make a motion to approve the
14	application.
15	MR. SHTEIERMAN: Approved.
16	MR. CLARK: Approved.
17	MR. BLEIBERG: Approved.
18	CHAIRMAN KRENGEL: Approved. Thank you
19	very much.
20	(Time noted: 7:43 p.m.)
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